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**RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116  
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE  
EXAMINING GROUP 2825  
Docket No.: 1614.1093**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re the Application of:

Noriyuki ITO et al.

Serial No. 09/708,572

Group Art Unit: 2825

Confirmation No. 2299

Filed: November 9, 2000

Examiner: Vuthe Siek

For: **DESIGN DATA PROCESSING METHOD AND RECORDING MEDIUM**

**AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
PO Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Attention: **BOX AF**

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed May 3, 2004, and having a period for response set to expire on August 3, 2004.

A Petition for a one-month extension of time, together with the requisite fee for same, is submitted herewith, thereby extending the period for response to September 3, 2004.

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted. Reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested.

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